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means, responsive to a change in data associated with an identified individual, for propagating said change to ones of said plurality of subscriber address books which contain an entry corresponding to said identified individual.

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8. A method of operating a data management system for automatically maintaining address information in a plurality of subscriber address books, comprising the steps of:

storing a plurality of subscriber address books, each said address book comprising a plurality of entries, each entry corresponding to a named individual and including at least address data for said named individuals; and

propagating, in response to a change in data associated with an identified individual, said change to ones of said plurality of subscriber address books which contain an entry corresponding to said identified individual.

B3
15. A data management system for automatically maintaining user data among a plurality of communities, each of which contains a plurality of members, comprising:

means for storing community membership data for a plurality of communities, each said community comprising a plurality of entries, each entry corresponding to a named individual who is a member of said community and including a set of individual data for each of said individuals;

means for providing a user with access to a set of said individual data of an identified individual who is a member of a same community as said user; and

means, responsive to a change in individual data associated with said identified individual, for propagating said change to all of said plurality of communities in which said individual is a member.

B4
24. A method of operating a data management system for automatically maintaining user data among a plurality of communities, each of which contains a plurality of members, comprising the steps of:

B4 storing community membership data for a plurality of communities, each said community comprising a plurality of entries, each entry corresponding to a named individual who is a member of said community and including a set of individual data for each of said individuals;

providing a user with access to a set of said individual data of an identified individual who is a member of a same community as said user; and

propagating, in response to a change in individual data associated with said identified individual, said change to all of said plurality of communities in which said individual is a member.

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